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SUBJ: SIHANOUK VISIT TO YUGOSLAVIA

1. SUMMARY: UNOFFICIAL VISIT TO YUGOSLAVIA BY PRINCE NORODAN SIHANOUK JUNE 9-18 PRODUCED PREDICTABLE STATEMENTS ABOUT (A) " MERCENARIES AND TRAITORS" OF LON NOL GOVERNMENT HOLDING ONTO SEVERAL TOWNS IN CAMBODIA ONLY BECAUSE OF THREAT OF US BOMBING, (B) HIS REFUSAL TO NEGOTIATE WITH LON NOL GOVERNMENT AND (C) CLAIMED NON- PRESENCE OF NORTH VIETNAMESE FORCES ON CAMBODIAN TERRITORY. END SUMMARY.

2. LESS THAN YEAR AFTER HIS OFFICIAL VISIT TO YUGOSLAVIA (BELGRADE 3638 OF JULY 25, 1972), SIHANOUK RETURNED IN UNOFFICIAL STATUS FOR MORE TITO HOSPITALITY. UNLIKE LAST TIME, SIHANOUK GOT TO BELGRADE ON THIS VISIT; ARRIVED HERE WITH PRICNESS MONIQUE AND SON NORODOM SIHAMONI U JUNE 9 FROM TIRANA. ACCORDING TO PRESS, THEY WERE ACCOMPANIED BY YENG SARI (" SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE OF GOVERNMENT AND OF UNITED NATIONAL LIBERATION FRONT"), SHIANOUK' S FONMIN SARIN CHHAK, GENERAL DUONG SAM OL (" MEMBER OF POLITBURO OF FRONT FOR NATIONAL LIBERATION") AND A " CAPTAIN PORTA" WHO ALLEGEDLY BOMBED PHNOM PENH IN MARCH. THEY WERE MET BY VICE

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PRESIDENT OF SFRY PRESIDENCY DUGONJIC AND DIPLOMATIC REPRESENTATIVES OF COUNTRIES SIHANOUK IS VISITING ON THIS SWING.

3. PRESS SAYS TITO AND SIHANOUK HELD TALKS JUNE 9, 10 AND 11 IN BELGRADE AND AT TITO' S HUNG TIN LODGE AT KARADJORDJEVO. SIHANOUK PARTY WENT ON TO BRIONI (WITHOUT TITO AND MME BROZ) JUNE 12 " FOR A REST" AND FLEW BACK TO TIRANA JUNE 18 FROM PULA, REPORTEDLY FOR MORE VACATION.

4. EXCHANGES OF BANQUET TOASTS JUNE 9 PROVIDED OCCASION FOR SOME HARD WORDS FOR US AND LON NOL GOVT. TITO:"... WE SYMPATHIZE WITH THE INNOCENT POPULATION, CHILDREN AND OLD PEOPLE, WHO ARE DAILY EXPOSED TO BOMBINGS. WE SUFFERED ALL THAT ONCE AND THEREFORE OUR PEOPLE FULLY UNDERSTAND THE SUFFERING OF YOUR PEOPLE. EVERY BOMB FALLING FROM AMERICAN AIRPLANES LEAVES A MARK OF SHAME ON THE TRAITORS OF YOUR PEOPLE WHO TODAY SERVE FOREIGN INTERESTS". SIHANOUK: " US IS PERSISTENTLY REFUSING, IN SPITE OF REPEATED INVITATIONS, TO NEGOTIATE WITH FRONT FOR NATIONAL UNIFICATION AND ITS GOVERNMENT.. WHICH HOLDS 90 PERCENT OF CAMBODIAN TERRITORY". SIHANOUK CLAIMED VIET CONG AND NORTH VIETNAMESE NOT PRESENT IN " NATIONAL LIBERATION ARMY" AND THAT " DRV DOES NOT HAVE A SINGLE OPERATIONAL UNIT IN CAMBODIA."

5. BORBA OF JUNE 19 CARRIED INTERVIEW WITH SIHANOUK, WHO SAID " LIBERATION FORCES" WERE PURPOSELY LEAVING " UNITS OF PUPPET REGIME" CUT OFF IN SEVERAL TOWNS INSTEAD OF TAKING THESE TOWNS BECAUSE HE WISHED TO AVOID " DESTRUCTION CAUSED BY IMPERIALISTS BOMBING HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE". HE CLAIMED THREE OUT OF FOUR US AIR- DROPS INTENDED FOR LON NOL OUTPOSTS ACTUALLY WENT TO HIS OWN FORCES. HE REJECTED IDEA OF NEGOTIATIONS WITH LON NOL AND " GOVERNMENT OF HIS MERCENARIES AND TRAITORS (WHO) ONLY REPRESENT AMERICAN NEO- COLONIALISM." SIHANOUK STATED CAMBODIA HAD BEEN NONALIGNED COUNTRY AND THAT NONALIGNED POLICY WOULD BE FOLLOWED AGAIN WHEN HE GOT BACK TO CAMBODIA.

6. COMMENT: TITO OBVIOUSLY WILLING TO GIVE SIHANOUK WARM WELCOME, LOTS OF PUBLICITY, AND VERBAL SUPPORT. ALSO ACCORDING PRESS HE PROMISED FULL SUPPORT BY YUGOSLAVIA FOR THE JUSTIFIED DEMANDS OF CAMBODIAN PEOPLE. BUT TITO EVIDENTLY MADE NO COMMITMENT OF MATERIAL AID TO SIHANOUK FORCES. SUPPORT HE INTENDS TO GIVE WILL PROBABLY BE (A) LARGELY POLITICAL, AND (B) LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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